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OES/CSTI ISSUES FIRST TERRORISM AND HOMELAND SECURITY SPECIALIST TRAINING CERTIFICATES

SACRAMENTO - The Governor's Office of Emergency Services' (OES) California Specialized Training Institute (CSTI) is pleased to announce the award of the first two certificates in the *Terrorism and Homeland Security Specialist Training Program*.

Captain Tony Hernandez, Reserve/Volunteer Fire Academy Coordinator for the San Diego Unit of Cal Fire, and Investigator Shawn Dyball of the Orange County Sheriff's Department were awarded their certificates on June 26, 2008.

"By completing the *Terrorism and Homeland Security Specialist Training Certificate Program*, Captain Hernandez and Investigator Dyball have demonstrated a high level of achievement within the emergency management and public safety profession" said OES Director, Henry Renteria.

Captain Hernandez has been working for Cal Fire for nearly 20 years. A resident of Riverside, Captain Hernandez has served Cal Fire in many different capacities, and in 2006, was part of a county wide collaborative effort, with the Riverside Sheriff's Office, the Riverside Department of Public Health, and the Riverside Office of Education, to provide inter agency training in anti-terrorism and homeland security.

Investigator Dyball has been with the Orange County Sheriff's Department for 27 years. She is currently assigned to the Los Angeles Joint Regional Intelligence Center in Norwalk. In 2005, Investigator Dyball developed and instituted the Orange County Sheriff's Department Terrorism Liaison Officer Program. Investigator Dyball is also a graduate of the California Peace Officer Standards and Training Master Instructor Development Course.

This professional certificate program, established in 2007, recognizes public safety professionals who have completed a seven-course training program at CSTI.

Certificate recipients complete four core courses in terrorism, counterterrorism, and terrorism intelligence analysis. Elective courses may include emergency response to terrorism, homeland security for business and industry, public health response to weapons of mass destruction, and numerous other courses that have been developed and offered by CSTI for over 35 years. Courses are offered on a regular basis throughout the state.

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